**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended) A transparent, flame-retardant biaxially oriented polyester film having a thickness between 5 to 300 μm, said film comprising (i) a single thermoplastic ~~composition~~ constituent consisting of at least one of either polyethylene terephthalate or polybutylene terephthalate and (ii) one or more flame retardant(s) each of which is soluble in polyester, wherein said transparent polyester film does not embrittle when exposed to temperatures of 100 °C for 100 hours,

and said flame retardancy is imparted entirely by flame retardant consisting of one or more organic phosphorous compounds, said film further meeting the requirements of UL 94 VTM-0.

2. (Previously Presented) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film further comprises a hydrolysis stabilizer.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 2, wherein the hydrolysis stabilizer is selected from the group consisting of phenolic hydrolysis stabilizers, alkali metal/alkaline earth metal stearates and/or alkali metal/alkaline earth metal carbonates.

6. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film comprises from 0.5 to 30.0 % by weight of flame retardant.

7. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 2, wherein the film comprises from 0.1 to 1.0 % by weight of hydrolysis stabilizer.

8. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the film has two or more layers and comprises a base layer and at least one outer layer.

9. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 8, wherein the flame retardant is present in the outer layer.

10. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 9, wherein from 0.5 to 30 % by weight (based on the weight of the outer layer) of the flame retardant is present in the outer layer.

11. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 8, wherein the hydrolysis stabilizer is present in the outer layer.

12. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 11, wherein from 0.1 to 1.0 % by weight (based on the weight of the respective outer layer) of the hydrolysis stabilizer is present in the outer layer.

13. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film comprises recycled material.

14. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has a surface gloss, measured according to DIN 67530 (measurement angle 20°), of greater than 100.

15. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has a luminous transmittance L, measured according to ASTM D 1003, of more than 80%.

16. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the haze of the film, measured according to ASTM D 1003, is less than 20%.

17. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the film has a Yellowness Index of < 10.

18. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 18.

19. (Currently Amended) A transparent biaxially oriented film comprising ~~polyester~~ (i) a single thermoplastic constituent consisting of at least one of either polyethylene terephthalate or polybutylene terephthalate and (ii) at least one flame retardant,

wherein said transparent film does not embrittle when exposed to temperatures of 100 °C for 100 hours.

20. (Currently Amended) A transparent biaxially oriented film comprising (i) a single thermoplastic constituent consisting of at least one of either polyethylene terephthalate or polybutylene terephthalate ~~polyester~~ and (ii) a flame retardant consisting of one or more compounds dissolved within the polyester,

said transparent film exhibiting a modulus of elasticity in the machine direction of greater than 3200 $N/mm^2$ after being exposed to temperatures of 100 °C for 100 hours.

21. (Previously Presented) A film according to Claim 20, wherein said compounds are organic phosphorus compounds, said film has a thickness ranging from 5 to 300 microns and complies with the requirements for construction material classes B2 and B1 to DIN 4102.

22. (Canceled) Please cancel Claim 22.